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This was an inconceivable burden, and Dupas cost the city more, than any of his predecessors.

I saw an account of Jiis expenses, which during the twenty-one weeks lie remained at Hamburg amounted to 12-,000 marks, or about LS.'^000 francs. None but the most exquisite wines were drunk at the. table of .Dupas. Even his servants were treated with champagne, and the choicest fruits were brought from the line hothouses of Berlin. The in habitants wen¹ irritated at this extravagance, and Dupas accordingly experienced the resistance of the Senate.

Among other vexatious there, was one. to which the people could not readily submit. In Hamburg, which had formerly been a fortified town, the custom was preserved of closing the gates at nightfall. On Sundays they were e.losed three-quarters of an hour later, to avoid interrupting the amusements of the. people.

While General Dupas was Governor of Hamburg an event occurred which occasioned considerable irritation in the public, mind, and might have been attended by fatal consequences. From some whim or other the General ordered the gates to be. closed at seven in the evening, and consequently while-, it was broad daylight, for it was in the middle of spring; no exception was made in favor of Sunday, and on that day a great number of the inhabitants who had been walking in the outskirts of the city presented themselves at the gate of Altona for admittance. To their surprise they found the gate closed, though it was a greater thoroughfare than any other gate*, in Hamburg. The number of persons requiring admittance increased, and a considerable crowd soon collected. After useless entreaties had been addressed to the chief oilieer of the poHt the people wen* determined to Bend to the. Commandant for the keys. The Commandant arrived, accompanied by the General. When they appeared it was supposed they had come for the purpose of opening the, gaten, and they wens accordingly saluted with a general *hurrnli!* which throughout almost all the north is the usual cry for expressing popular Hatinfaction. General Dupan not understanding the meaning of this *hurrah/* supposed it to be a signal for sedition, uncl